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FIRST PHOTOS

Dear Editors:

I couldn't resist sending you one of the first photos I took with my new Argus 75 which I got about a month before this shot was made. I'd never taken pictures of my kittens before so I think other cat owners would be pleased to see what a rank novice can do. I used a GE Bantam Flashbulb and a 1-plus Portrait lens and the old (ultrachromatic) Ansco All-weather film.

We've both Manx and Siamese here, so will have plenty of photographic material.

Ellen Straight

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VIRGINIA POE'S CATERINA

Dear Editors:

I wonder if Miss Dorothy Bond who has made her Catterina famous through her cartoons knows that Edgar Allen Poe had a cat named Caterina—(only one "w").

I first came across a reference to Caterina in Van Vechten's *Tiger in the House*. He quotes a visitor to Poe's Fordham cottage in 1846 as saying:

"The weather was cold and the sick lady (young Mrs. Poe) had the dreadful chills that accompany the hectic fever of consumption. There was no clothing on the bed which was of straw but a snow white counterpane and sheets. She lay on the straw bed, wrapped in her husband's great coat, with a large tortoise shell cat on her bosom. The wonderful cat seemed conscious of her great usefulness."

Van Wyck Brooks in his *World of Washington Irving* says, "Virginia (Poe) died on her mattress of straw hugging her tortoise shell cat to keep warm."

However, I did not learn the cat's name until I read Hervey Allen's *Israfel—Life and Times of E. A. Poe*. There I found many references to Caterina.

"Caterina, the cat purred on the ample plateau of Mrs. Clemm's lap."

"Little Sis (Mrs. Poe) went upstairs coughing to bed with Caterina, the cat."

"Caterina walked about the cottage, her tail in the air, sometimes perching

on Poe's shoulders or lying upon Virginia's bed."

In many years of collecting cat poems I have never seen one written about Poe's Caterina, so have made an effort at it myself.

TO VIRGINIA'S CAT

(Virginia Poe died on her mattress of straw hugging her tortoiseshell cat to keep her warm.)

*I wonder what she whispered
As you nestled on her arm,
Dear Tortoise-colored pussy cat
Who kept Virginia warm.*

*Did her wan hand caress you,
And did you softly purr,
While Edgar read his rhymes aloud
And tried to comfort her?*

*You helped dear Caterina
Keep that tiny spark aflame,
And for this throughout ages
Men will recall your fame.*

—Mabel Taintor Cameron

2601 Park Place
Evanston, Ill.

CINDY'S FAIRY GODMOTHER

Dear Editors:

My Cinderella (Cindy) seems to have thrived on home care, since the twelve months hence when she was rescued from a wood pile on the lower East Side of New York. She was indeed a poor little thing when she was rescued by one of our kind ladies and placed with us for adoption.

Your Magazine has been of great help in understanding her to some extent.

Sophia L. Balawick
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New York 21, N. Y.

HINT FOR HENRIETTA

Dear Cat Friends:

I dearly love your magazine and read all of it every month. Don't know how I could do without it. However, in your May issue I read "Think for Your Cat" by Miss Hitchcock, and I can't say that I agree with her assertion that cats can not reason like human beings do.

Of course, you have to watch out for cats and not let them out where there is traffic, but then you have to do the same with children and young people. And children are not the only ones to do the things she says cats do—lots of older folks are careless, too.

I am nearly seventy-two, have had cats all my life, and I believe they have more intelligence than lots of "humans." Nevertheless, Miss Hitchcock's suggestions are fine, and I fully agree with her that we do have to take care of our cats. But, we must do so, because they are like people, not because they are different. She mentions cats jumping out of windows after birds—How many children are injured every year chasing balls into streets?

It hurts me to have people say that cats are not intelligent. I have a visiting cat with me now, and he is blind. Yet I have had to show him only once where



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ALICE GRAYDON PHILLIPS'

OUR CATS

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"Pawdicure" was taken by Jane Edwards of Park Ridge, Illinois, and is a portrait of Dark Gauntlets Garnet, Seal Point Siamese female owned by Miss B. Gendel, Fairbank Cattery, 350 Fairbank, Illinois.

"Garnet" was Best Kitten at the Beresford Show in Chicago this past February and was Midwest Honorable Mention Shorthair Kitten in the CATS Magazine 1955 Sectional selections. Bred by Mrs. Leigh Manley, her parents were Dark Gauntlets Druid and Dark Gauntlets Demure.

The striking pose was assumed nonchalantly while Miss Gendel and Miss Edwards had the camera prepared for a "routine" photo of Garnet.

the sand box is and where the water dish is kept, and he goes to each when he desires without any trouble. Doesn't that sound equal to human intelligence.

I never let my cats out, and I always take the best of care of them, but I've learned never to under-rate how smart they really are.

Mrs. J. D. Brady

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Macon, Georgia



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Dear Editors:

Vicki and I thought your readers might want to get a glimpse of the "game warden" whose story you published last month, so here she is.

(Mrs.) Elizabeth Norris

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A QUESTION OF WHO IS NEUROTIC

By Nadya Olyanova

I am a slave to a Siamese cat. By this unguarded admission anyone but a cat lover would know I am somewhat aberrated! I'll wager Min Chu is the most beautiful, gentle, lovable, intelligent cat in the world, and I challenge any other Siamese cat owner to tell me there is another who can hold a candle to her. But she's neurotic as all get-out and would provide a field-day for any cat psychiatrist! I'll describe some of her symptoms and see if you don't agree with me.

It's undeniably true, as the psychologists say, that a neurotic child is the extension of a neurotic parent, usually the mother with whom it spends most of its time. So a cat, conditioned by the fears, wishes, frustrations or successes of its owner, reacts in the same way. Take for instance: those cats who live on a farm where they keep the barns mouse-free. They have kittens by the dozen without a Caesarian; they eat the scraps from the farmer's table; and they don't know what the inside of a vet's office looks like. The farmer's wife has no time nor inclination to pamper them. They represent a part of her live stock and she accepts them as such. They fall into the "normal" category; useful and well-adjusted.

Our pets, aristocratic or otherwise, are more whimsical. They know they can get special privileges by using attention-getting devices, and Min Chu uses them to the limit. She knows my weaknesses and plays on them with the subtlety of a virtuoso. I indulge her because I identify with her. This is another way of confessing, albeit unconsciously, that I wish someone would pamper and give me special privileges! Not consciously, you understand, for on this level I am something of a door-mat personality. And Min Chu walks over me—if ever so gracefully—and makes me love it!

But not to be entirely subjective, let me describe to you another neurotic identification, quite the opposite of mine. I know a New England spinster who keeps her two beautiful Siamese in cages all day long. She scoffs at the idea of breeding them yet they remain unaltered; denies them the warmth of a lap because this, she righteously asserts, would spoil them. She projects her own unfulfilled existence upon them and as a result the poor little creatures are just as frustrated, repressed, unhappy, nervous and tense as she is. They look at you longingly from behind their bars, begging for a chance to gaze out of a window, or run up a tree, or chase a ball or

something. But "no," insists their captor—though she lives in a house in the country surrounded by trees and grass—"my pets will never set a paw on grass if I can help it." She prates about her love for animals, but in my book this comes under the heading of *self-love*. Could this be the reason why she remains a spinster?

Any reputable psychiatrist will tell you that this individual feels inadequate unless she can dominate and control others, and since humans resist her, she victimizes animals. (She has a dog, too, and I wish you could hear her laying down the law—her law—to him.) And the only way she can control her cats is to keep them caged! She's determined they will be her slaves, and since this is contrary to cat nature, they have become neurotic, just as is their owner.

Now, I suppose I'm the other extreme, a victim of *ailuromania*—to coin a word. This means that Min Chu's comfort and happiness constitute my greatest obsession. She romps, plays and races like a kitten, though she's eight. You should see her leap from chair to desk to mantel, then race across the floor with tail puffed up, then do a hop, skip and jump back to the top of the TV set!

But it took me two years to develop her to this euphoric stage. When she was given to me at age six, she was the saddest, sickest, most unhappy cat this side of Siam. Her fur was coming out in handfuls, the result of a dread skin affliction. Her owner had deserted her when he tired of his hobby of breeding Siamese, and she was left with a Blue companion to roam the nearby countryside. Kind neighbors fed her when they remembered, and she slept among insect-infested bushes. I had much to do to make it up to this *rejected child*. I took her to a vet, a very honest man, who shook his head and said bluntly: "I'll give her six months at best unless she has best of care; daily skin treatments, proper diet, lots of affection." I had my orders and I followed them though it turned out to be a full-time job.

Separated from her Blue companion, Min Chu cried for a few days and would stop only if I picked her up, or brushed her. The crisis of change threw her into a siege of calling within a week, and knowing only one answer to that, I had her bred. But I didn't know that she'd been bred too often and she gave birth to one still-born. Did that stop her calling? It did not. Again I visited the vet and after a thorough check-up he said she had ovarian cysts and must have surgery. Wait, he said, until she's stronger. We waited.

Meantime, Min Chu presented another problem. She couldn't be left alone in the apartment even for an hour without crying mournfully, as my neighbors told me. I was always in a tizzy to rush back when I went on necessary errands. I could hear her when I put my key in the



Neurotic Min Chu poses with only confidence in her owner restraining her from a dash to her under-the-bed hideout.

downstairs lock. I knew of cases where mothers were confined indoors with sick children, but this role was new to me. I consulted books on cats and finally went to see Doris Bryant whom I consider an authority. She summed it up in one sentence. Min Chu would stop crying, she said, when she felt more *secure*. (Shades of baby yawling her head off when mama is out of sight!) But Min Chu is no longer a kitten; she's mature, I tried to reason. I wasn't allowing for her neurosis based on her fear of being abandoned again. I thought only human beings could feel rejected.

Then came the neurotic behavior that left no doubt in my mind. One day I brought home a kitten who was to be Min Chu's companion, to pick up the slack left by her separation from the Blue. Did she accept the kitten? You experienced Siamese cat owners know the answer. Sweet, gentle Min Chu, who never showed her claws except to sharpen them on my straw hamper—(and I wish you could see that hamper now!)—growled, spit, slashed her tail and tried to claw the little kitten. She would have no interloper in her domain! I found another home for the kitten *that night*! But Min Chu wasn't sure. All that night and the next day she guarded the door; she wouldn't eat; slept only in snatches. And as a result of the threat to her security she developed what the vet diagnosed as colitis. Those of us in the know, recognize this illness as a neurotic symptom, and I *should* know because I was a victim of it for a number of years. Parenthetically, I might add that both Min Chu and I are now rid of it. But at the time, it meant a change of diet. "Chicken and rice," advised my vet. I am still cooking and deboning chickens for Min Chu, as she turns her nose up at fish of any kind—even lobster—gives meat a desultory lick. Now, what kind of a cat except an advanced neurotic would walk away from minced porterhouse steak?

But wait, you haven't heard all. She won't eat at all unless hand-fed—unless ravenous, which is rare because of regu-

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Nadya Olyanova is the famous graphologist whose great ability is proving of much help to business institutions, banks, and psychiatrists, as well as to such personalities as Mary Martin, Lloyd Douglas, and Joan Crawford. "If I could only teach Min Chu to write," she says, "I might be able to understand her better."

FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

Collected by ANNE METCALF

PORTRAIT OF DAWN

*Dawn in the summer city comes
delicately cool
after the hot night. Morning star
drowns in a lemon pool.*

*Sun climbs slowly down the walls
to rouse thin lilac streets.
Doves upon the ledges shift
small rose-colored feet.*

*Where upon a warm brick step
light from a streetlamp sat,
black as night in the golden day
sits a yawning cat.*

—Frances Frost

MY CAT

*Eyes covered with a furry paw,
Breath deepening to snores,
My cat lies sleeping on a chair
After a night outdoors.*

*What does he dream, remembering
The moon and shade in filigree
About these hill-and-canyon ways
That slope into the sea?*

*He looks so innocent, and yet
I know the field mice count must be
Decreased, and gophers fewer, though
I hope each bird woke happily!*

—Bonnie May Malody

CAT MORALITY

My Siamese likes to slip up on things
And pounce upon their unsuspecting
wings.
His blue eyes search the sharpened blades
of grass
And seem to say, "No moving thing can
pass
My velvet paws that slink their padded
way
To make a catch for food—or just for
play."

Don't call him cruel. His Maker formed
him so.
He *must* be self-supporting! And you
know
A lot of us brought up in Sunday School
With minds to reason soon forget the
Rule
When we are hungry, or if we want to
splurge,
Or satisfy some other human urge.

So when it comes to virtue, things like
that,
I'll pass up human nature, take my cat!

—Alice Josephine Wyatt

KITTYQUETTE

Rule I: CLAWS

To gouge your claws
Into nylon stockings
In feline circles
Is frowned on as shocking.

Rule II: BACKS

In dealing with those
Who don't like to be rubbed,
Keep your back to yourself,
Or you'll find yourself snubbed.

Rule III: TABLES

To leap on the table
Where food has been set
May be smiled on by family
As good kittyquette.
But a caller, more squeamish,
Will wiggle and squirm,
Peering here for a virus
And there for a germ.

—Mary Elliott

THE HOUSE FOR KITTIE

Should be a morning room, sun
shining on a Persian rug, where I lie
to keep me warm.

Convenient doors left ajar, that I can
open with my paw, to enter and exit as
I please.

A patio, part sun and shade, where
I can watch the birds—I do love birds,
to watch.

A little tree or rustic gate, for spring-
ing on the roof, to play at night be-
neath the stars.

I love to reconnoiter on book-cases
and mantel. Don't shout at me, it hurts
my ears.

A gentle little pat now and then, so
I know you love me. I didn't mean to
trip you that time—why didn't you look
out and keep off my tail?

I would like milk—and any meat you
have left over—I belong to the family,
don't I?

—Pamela Clough

THE BEST MOVING-DAY MOTHER

*The best of local movers, Sir!
She is the mother cat.
She's kind to Mr. Kitten, Sir,
And "tiger" to a rat.*

*The best of local movers, Sir!
When there is half a threat,
She carries Mr. Kitten, Sir,
To where it's safer yet.*

Paul Waterman. From his Book.
Love To The Town. Dorrance & Co.,
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*Millie has diamonds
And Martha has mink
On her lapels.
And Sadie can slink.
But with eyes like diamonds
My own little cat,
Slinking in mink,
Has all of that.*

—D. Gschwind



THE LITTLE CAT

I hold the big cat in my arms
Sinuous with glossy pride,
But everywhere I look I see
The little cat that died.

He's prancing underneath the trees,
A piebald derelict,
And somersaulting on his head.
To wheedle my respect.

One moment I must pick him up,
The next he scrabbles down --
A foolish game we revel in,
Invention of our own.

But lifting acquiescent paws
In shabby, patchwork fur,
Crossed in subservience to death,
Is challenge I abhor.

The big cat's chant should solace me --
Bleak overtones forbid.
They vibrate to a single theme,
"The little cat is dead."

—Margaret Lancaster

LOST KITTEN

He is so little wherever he's gone
Led by his part-pink inquisitive nose;
He was stalking a ladybug on the back
lawn

And now . . . not a sign, but his noisiest
foes:

The towhees celebrate,
The bluejay raids the fruits,
The mocker tilts upon the gate
Importantly and flutes.

Where . . . ? Oh, listen, was that his call?
He's black as a shadow, he is very small.
I'll go east and you go west;
There's one white stud on his neat black
vest.

—Dorothy Marie Davis



"Tips to
the Novice"
by
Blanche
Wolfram

Did you remember your vitamin pill this morning? Was it a green one, a blue one, or a red one? It would seem as though we are in an age of taking our physical nourishment by pills and capsules. I hope the day never comes though when that T-bone steak is in a capsule.

Seriously, however, great advances have been made in the field of vitamin development and we all, at some time or other, share in these scientific achievements. Our pets, too, come in for a large share of these modern developments, for without a doubt vitamins do play a very important part in the health and welfare of our cats. Now we can be advised as to what vitamins are necessary for the building of sturdy bodies and good coats on our furred friends.

It takes only a small amount of vitamins contained in a regular diet to keep the bodies of our cats functioning properly. It is only when certain deficiencies are known to exist that we must resort to large doses of concentrated vitamins. The best way to give the necessary vitamins to any animal is by feeding a well-balanced diet. The various plants and the vital organs of other animals thus fed in the diet ordinarily will provide the proper requirements. Should a diet be known to be deficient in any of these, though, it is a good practice to provide a vitamin supplement such as those advertised in CATS Magazine.

One often wonders as he sees the great assortment of wildlife that surrounds him how these animals survive without any addition of vitamins to their diet. Somehow the creatures of the wild are given a sense that enables them to eat a diet that for them is a balanced one. Plant-eating animals obtain all of their necessary requirements by eating a proper assortment of plants, and the animals of the carnivorous group (of which cats are a member) likewise obtain necessary elements by eating the vital organs of animals upon which they prey, where those vitamins are stored. Not all of these vital organs are included in the meats with which we feed our cats, so it becomes almost a necessity to include in the meat diet a selected supplement.

At present, it is not possible to say what the daily requirement of a cat should be in this respect but it is well known what a deficiency of vitamins can do. And while science experiments with what vitamins are vital to our pets we have become accustomed to giving multiple vitamins without the knowledge of

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what the correct proportions must be. This is the best that we can do. While we know we do give vitamins in certain areas where they are not needed, they are in no way harmful and we have the assurance that we are making the proper addition in those places where it is of vital importance.

What is a vitamin? Many people ask the question and you may have wondered at times, too. Vitamins are chemical substances which are required in certain amounts to make organisms function properly. Along with minerals and other nutrients, they make a team with each having a particular job to perform. The lack of any part of this team or of several parts may cause poor appetite, slow growth, shabby fur, nervous conditions and even death. Vitamin play their most important role during rapid growth, kittenhood, times of illness, pregnancy, and lactation. It may be necessary to resort to concentrated doses of vitamins as well as minerals during these periods in the cycle of cat life.

VITAMIN A

Considerable attention has been given to experiments with this form of vitamin and its value has been associated mainly with the eyes and some forms of skin disease. The mucuous membranes are directly dependent upon it for a healthy condition and the ability to resist infection. Teeth, especially in the kitten stage, will grow better and the formation of the vital enamel is greatly aided by it. Sometimes the lack of it can be directly traced as the source of failure in breeding by the females. The quality of general growth and the maintaining of strong healthy bodies depend upon its presence in the system. Some forms of kidney stones have been attributed to a lack of this chemical substance.

For vitamin A to exist in appreciable quantities, the diet must contain fat. Butter, cream, egg yolk and fish liver oil are good "A" producers as are green leafy vegetables and carrots. Halibut liver oil is used over cod liver oil where a greater potency is desired.

Fresh preparations of this vitamin should always be used for it is easily destroyed by oxidation due to its unstable characteristics. It is stored in the liver of the cat for future needs as they present themselves and is in no way toxic.

VITAMIN B COMPLEX

Vitamin B is a group of substances all coming under the heading of Vitamin B complex. By far, these are the most important vitamins for the development of cats. All cats seem to have a craving for fresh liver. This sounds reasonable for fresh liver is one of the greatest sources of this group. When feeding meat, however, remember that heat is one of the quickest destroyers of vitamins and your cats will obtain their greatest nourishment from meat when it is fed raw.

The B complex group is as follows:

Thiamine (B1)

Thiamine is an excellent aid to the developing of a good appetite and it can also be used as a stimulant. It is apparently harmless and the dosage need not be large or the trial period a lengthy one, for results will appear quickly if they are to come at all. Rich sources of thiamine are fresh liver, fresh heart, whole wheat flour, and dried split peas. Continued diarrhea in a cat can mean a great loss of this substance and when these cases come about it should be replenished. A lack of thiamine in the cat's system can lead to eventual heart trouble, and anemia and paralysis of the back legs are believed to be marks of its deficiency.

Riboflavin (B2)

Riboflavin is found in abundance in milk, eggs, liver, yeast, and muscle meat. A cat deprived of this vitamin can develop anemia, sore mouth, impaired nerves, and will be found to produce poor litters.

Niacin

A lack of niacin can cause a skin condition similar to pellagra in human beings. Excellent sources of it are yeast, milk, liver, and cereal grains.

Pyridoxine (B6)

Pyridoxine is essential in helping the nervous system and preventing anemia. It is found in yeast, milk and liver.

Choline

Choline is necessary for fat metabolism and its presence in insufficient amounts can result in serious damage to the liver and the kidney.

Pantothenic Acid

Little is known of this vitamin of the B complex group other than that black rats turn gray when lacking it in their diet. I wonder if it in any way would keep black cats black all the year around.

Biotin

This vitamin seems to have an important bearing on reproduction and lactation. One experiment found that animals fed large amounts of egg white produced litters either paralyzed at birth or still-born. The addition of biotin in the diet partially corrected these abnormalities.

Inositol

This is another vitamin about which little is known, but it has some effect on fat metabolism.

Para-Aminobenzoic Acid

This fellow has a long name but he has a good use for he aids in restoring the color of fur to animals.

Folic Acid

This vitamin is widely found and is very active in the promotion of growth and the prevention of anemia.

Vitamin B12

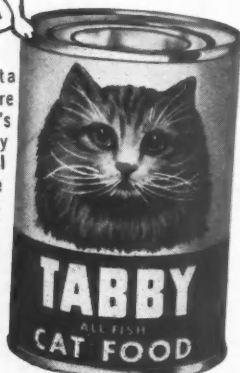
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By Julia W. Canady

I could tell that something very special was about to happen in the life of my ten year old daughter from the excited look in her eyes, the way she bolted her breakfast, and the rapidity with which she completed her daily chores.

"Don't you think you should wait until another day, dear?" I asked. "It's so terribly cold."

"No, mommie, please, can't I go?" she pleaded. "It's so important that I go today, as I am to have first choice."

Realizing how much this mission meant to her, I readily gave in, but it had taken a lot of persuasion for her to convince me that she would be wholly responsible for the feeding and care of a new addition to the family and it was not difficult to understand that she was bent on doing just that as was indicated by beforehand preparations. These included a basket, tenderly lined with soft, clean rags; two bowls, for food and water; and the perennial sand box.

Either it was love at first sight or pity that won a place in our hearts for the tiny little kitten she brought home. He was a mass of fuzzy, grey wool, punctuated with blinking, amber, bead-like eyes. Obviously, he was no beauty but he completely fascinated everyone by his ability to fit right into the family routine.

Before the week's end, he had learned to stand on his hind legs and beg for milk in the most ingenious manner. We had had kittens before, but nothing like Tabby, who answered to his name with a rolling meow which sounded like "mer-r-r-h." It took little effort to teach him that the only chairs in which he was welcome to nap were in my daughter's room, and that he was never to beg the family for food during their meal time. The scraping and rattling of china was his cue that the meal had ended. No matter where he was at the moment, this signal would bring him

racing.

Such feats would prompt my daughter to exclaim gleefully,

"See, Mommie, he's not at all an ordinary cat!"

Superman and The Lone Ranger were overshadowed at our house by Tabby, who entertained us each evening with gusto flying through the air with the greatest of ease from chair to sofa, and to curtains, much to my consternation, and with backward and forward rolls.

Tabby was no novice at making friends and influencing people. He was a favorite pal of our English setter, who had been in the family at least three years. Tabby's chief sport was swinging on the setter's ears.

Tabby grew into a handsome tom and as his range broadened, he developed the habit of catching and devouring young rabbits which ran wild in the fields nearby. This strange action greatly puzzled the neighborhood children.

"Who ever heard of a cat catching rabbits? They're supposed to catch mice, aren't they?"

Frankly, we had not heard of one either but maybe there is some relation between Tabby's taste for baby rabbits and his liking of lettuce and cabbage.

The incident uppermost in my memory that made me realize we had a most remarkable cat was the year my daughter left home for boarding school. Tabby sensed this loss of companionship and a few days later disappeared. We searched the community but to no avail. We dared not write this sorrowful news to our daughter and as Christmas vacation neared, we wondered how we could tell her Tabby was gone or perhaps dead.

As we drove home from the station, I nervously steered the conversation to everything and everybody, hoping that she would not ask about her cat. Finally, we reached our house and who should greet us but Tabby.

"Mommie, you look so strange!" exclaimed my daughter. "What's the matter?"

"Huh? O, nothing, dear. It's just the excitement of having you home, I guess."

Nevertheless, Tabby's second absence followed soon after the end of the Christmas vacation and until the day of our daughter's return for Spring vacation in March, he did not put in any appearance. His timing must have been a little off, though, as bright and early the morning after her arrival, he made his first appearance at the kitchen door.

The absences and returns of Tabby from our house continued to parallel those of our daughter so much so that it was quite simple for the neighbors to deduce, "Your daughter must be home—I see Tabby has returned."

"Yes," I would agree, "Both have returned."

Tabby simply was not an ordinary cat.

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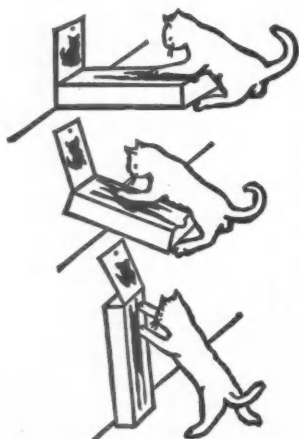


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Conducted by E. A. Renaux, D. V. M.

I have had two litters of kittens born with their eyes wide open. Both litters were born of different queens, but sired by the same male. Kittens were full-term, had nice coats, and except for the eyes were normal in all respects, but they lived only three to four days. The male has sired other beautiful and perfectly healthy kittens. Could this condition come from a faulty diet for the mothers?

—Mrs. H. H. H., Lexington, N. C.

I can't give a satisfactory answer to this. The two different mothers would restrict the breeding factor, and if it were a faulty diet, the kittens shouldn't have been as well developed as you state. Coincidence—the fact that it could have been due to an unrelated pre-natal influence—seems the logical possibility.

Four questions: If I should spill a hot liquid such as boiling water on our cat, what could I do immediately before taking him to the Veterinarian? What is the correct term for, and the meaning of paw maneuvers? Our neighbors call it "marching." Can you make a cat purr? Our cat will eat nothing but canned fish food and drinks very little water. Should we force him to eat other foods?

—Mrs. C. H. V., Chicago

(1) In the case of severe burn, I feel that the animal can best be wrapped in a cloth or towel that has been wet with a salt solution made of one teaspoonful of salt to a quart of water. This will help prevent too great a loss of fluids from the body. It is not wise to use ointments or oils, since in many cases these will not be desirable and the veterinarian will have to clean them off. (2) We've heard paw maneuvers called "pressing" and "kneading." In addition to showing enjoyment this way, it is also noticeable if there is any pain or if the cat is about to go into labor. Just why, I do not know. (3) Why a cat will purr or will not purr, only the cat can tell. They do not necessarily have to be happy or contented, as I have had some of them purr while being given hypodermic injections. (4) As long as the diet is a prepared food, it very probably is adequate for normal requirements. As for drinking, let the cat judge how much water he needs; he will take in enough to care for his body requirements.

Our young female shorthair has one runny eye—the left, which has bothered her since the day we got her five months ago. There seems to be no infection, but the eye waters constantly. Do you think it could be a plugged-up duct, and if so, what could be done about it. I've had her to two veterinarians, but neither seemed to know what was wrong. One gave a bottle of cortizone eye medicine, one a metapen solution 1:2500, but with no particular effect.

—Mrs. R. S., Corte Madera, Calif.

There could be the possibility of a closed tear duct, but I have not recognized this condition as a persistent cause of running eyes. These ducts can be flushed, but it is a very tedious and exacting procedure. The other trouble that I can think of, especially since it is just one eye that is bothered, is the growth of very fine hairs on the inside of the eyelids of the affected eye. These hairs are very difficult to find, but if the light is placed just right and the lids are rolled outward and examined closely, they can be seen if they are there. Sometimes they are very short, and a magnifying glass or other means of magnification is helpful. If it is found that this condition is present, the hairs cannot be removed permanently, but will have to be plucked periodically.

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Our All-Southern announcement this year is marked by a brother-sister Kitten act, a return to the award listings of a Blue-Eyed White Shorthair who gained his first A-S in 1947, and an absolute tie for Blue Longhair female honors between two cats of the same breeding who last year were winner and runner-up for ASK and SHMK.

Seventy-nine All-Southern and fifty-nine Honorable Mention cats and kittens are headed by Dixiland Sir Gai of Normont, owned by Mrs. M. Hoag, who will be the South's contender for Cat-of-the-Year honors and Mrs. Howell J. Mueller's Grand and Double Champion Flagstone's Play Girl, who will vie with the country's other three leading females for Opposite-Sex-Cat-of-the-Year. In third place is another of Mrs. Mueller's cats—Grand and Dbl. Ch. Longhill's Tres Chic of Flagstone, and following in order to make up the top ten are Ch. Shawnee Heather, Ch. Lynwood Chu Chu, Ch. Chirn Sa-hai Zohagal, Normont Snow Shoes, Dbl. Ch. Chirn Sa-hai Ricki, Ch. Dixiland Banner of Windibank, and Ch. Maun Ting.

Keeping the Shorthair Kitten Honors all in the family, Mrs. C. G. Learn's Siamese Blue Point Bult'h Hex and his sister, Bult'h Hope captured both ASK awards. Ch. Silver Rocks Bit of Honey had the considerable distinction of being Honorable Mention Shorthair Female and at the same time gaining the Orange-Eyed White DSH Female A-S ribbon.

A strong historical note is struck this year by SHM Dbl. Ch. Tyrol of Moonlight, who as All-Southern and All-American in 1947, the first year of the awards, is the only cat in the country who can claim award wins over such a long span. Tyrol also was A-S in 1948. 1950 is represented by Normont's Angelique who has been A-S and A-A every year since then, and by Ch. Miss Hogan AS 50, 52, 53, and AA 52, 53. Ch. Glad-Low's Red Coach of Shawnee was A-S in 51 and 52, and Tpl. Ch. Elco's Rudolph of FarFin has been A-S and A-A every year since 1951.

Ch. Christmas Cotton Bear gained AS, AA in 1952 and AS 53, while Mystical of Cobourg was a 52 and 54 All-Southern, and Tyoh Inspector Red was A-S, A-A in 1953. Nine cats are making their third straight appearances: Ch. Dixiland Banner of Windibank, Dbl. Ch. Longhill's Tres Chic of Flagstone, Dbl. Ch. Flagstone's Play Girl, Ch. Palatka's Smokie Joe, Dbl. Ch. Floridanus Misty Moonlight, Ch. Shawnee's Masquerade, Dbl. Ch. Chirn Sa-hai Ricki, Gryffin, and Dbl. Ch. Silver Moth Prince Necho. Details on these and on twenty-nine cats who are repeating 1954 honors will be found in the listings. On pages fourteen through nineteen will be found photos of many of the winners and names and addresses of their owners.

So, with this issue of CATS and the naming of the All-Southern and Southern Honorable Mention awards, we bring to a close the fourth chapter of our five-part story. Next month the climax, the announcement of the All-American and American Honorable Mention cats will be made. The A-A cat for each breed, sex, and color will be the highest-scoring of the four All-Sectional cats previously announced. AHM cats will be the second highest-scoring cats nationally in each breed, sex, and color, with both All-Sectional and Sectional Honorable Mention cats being eligible to compete.

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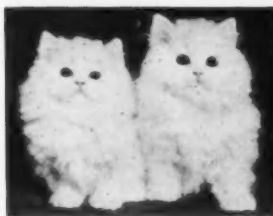
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By Henrietta Hitchcock

So many delightful letters have come in from readers lately that I want to share some of their comments, especially since it pleases me to know there are many other cat-lovers who "spoil" their pets just as much as I do.

These letters were inspired by a recent column in which I explained to Mr. and Mrs. W. J., owners of a small Siamese kitten, that their pet, who wanted to sleep with them and stay near the table at mealtime, was to be indulged rather than reproached.

Mrs. J. H. writes of this Siamese kitten: "Why shouldn't the poor lonely mite sleep in their necks on dark nights, with the world only nine weeks old, and grown dark and fearsome? A Siamese who spent a summer with us ate at our table sitting on a short stepladder. He got the idea at once and ate off his plate daintily as the Chaucer Prioress, never dragged food off the plate onto the table or floor.

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"That involves a lot more than petting, which is only temporary assurance of affection," she writes. "Cats need the same, easy, thoughtful consideration one would give to a child or an adult in your

home. Our Biscuit is a huge, cream-colored Persian, 9 years old. We never ignore him. He does not like to be held, but we talk to him or about him and he contentedly answers, even when napping, by fanning the tip of his tail up and down.

"He usurps my chair before I get down to breakfast, so I say 'Where's Biscuit?' — 'There he is!' pull out the chair he is in, draw up another for myself, and we sit side by side throughout the meal. He sometimes repeats this at my daughter's place at dinner, but always comes to my right and waits for a taste as soon as I have finished serving.

"He is sitting now on a shelf in the pantry with his elbows on the window sill about four inches above. He will lie stretched out on the sill to sleep. We have screens, of course. We take him out into the garden on a leash and let him expore, if he likes, or just lie in the ivy, which he loves."

With all the neglected, mistreated cats there are for cat lovers to feel sorry for, it is good to hear of the many other pets who have found happy homes full of love and understanding.

I have quoted these letters, also, to give new cat-owners a clearer idea of the kind of person you must be in order to enjoy the companionship of a cat and to evoke the warmth and confidence of a cat so that he will be a really happy pet in your home.

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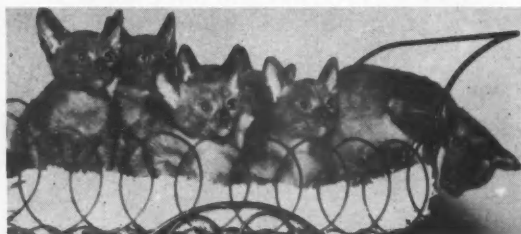
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 Abyssinian Female—Dbl. Ch. Mao Qui Vive of Chirn Sa-hai, Mrs. R. L. O'Donovan; Hon. Men.—Ta-Lee-Ho's Tere of Re-Ru, Russell Middleton.
 Burmese Male—Re-Ru Dynamic, Russell Middleton; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Casa Gatos Anawrahta (SHM 54), Mrs. T. A. Dobyns and Casa Gatos Myree, Miss Dorothy V. Roark.
 Burmese Female—Dobyn's Boki Tyf (AS, AHM 54), Mrs. T. A. Dobyns; Hon. Men.—Re-Ru Gold Digger, Dorothy Celeste.
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 Red Mackerel Tabby Manx Male—Dbl. Ch. Miamanx Rusty, Margaret Newton; Hon. Men.—Tyoh Inspector Red (AS, 44 53), Mrs. Fred Hoyt.
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 Brown Tabby Manx Female—Dhu Lleo Pet O'Peel (SHM 54), Mrs. F. L. Lovett; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Laxey, Dr. John F. Melton and Tyoh Tabu (AS, AA 54), Miss Jan Gartman.
 Parti-Color Manx Male—Dbl. Ch. Dhu Lleo Ballabeg Beau of Miamanx (Imp.), Margaret Newton.
 Parti-Color Manx Female—Dbl. Ch. Floridanus Aurora (AS, AA 54), Maud R. Barney; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Floridanus Lissette, Mrs. Barney.
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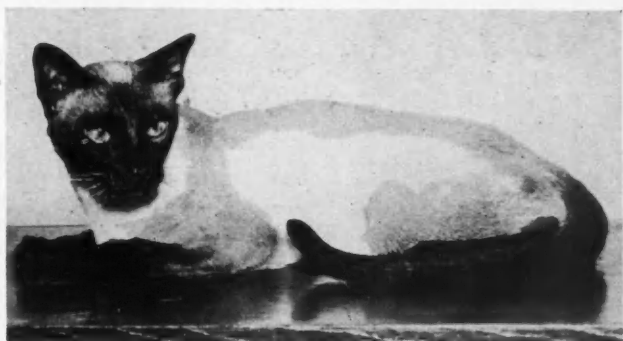
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So much for THAT—anyone whose letter I have not answered, I humbly ask pardon. I have been ill. That darn virus that I fed with expensive antibiotics all through the show season decided NOW was the time, and it blew its nasty little old top inside me—way down deep where it was hiding.

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winner. Her older brother Rarng was Best Shorthair and First in the Champion class; her older brother Salong was First in the Open and Winners, making his CFA complete—all this at the Mo-Kan show.) All the same breeding, different litters, and the same pair just had SEVEN lovely kittens. NOW those of you who know this combination at Dah-ling and her sire will be very glad if they can get one of these kittens, male and female. This cannot go on forever. She is eight and We Wun is ten of this JULY. I have usually sold kittens of this breeding, and they have not been shown. However, the type is so well set that even those not shown have proven to throw it consistently. Taki, the dam of Grand Champion Chi Charoen Pada is this breeding. So is Wezel, sire of Dbl. Ch. Wee Sal of Medicine Lake. The beautiful little male at Kansas City was sold to be neutered as a pet, and he was the third of this breeding to have started a championship in the one season—the other two finished in three shows each.

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Drop in and have a coke with me, but please phone first. You know how it is down here—we are lazy and don't wear shoes in the summer, and I'd like to come to the door with my shoes on if I know it's a Northern visitor. Awful shock to go to the door to find it's someone from Toronto, and that is the day it was pouring all morning and the papers are still on the floor in the cattery. Well—you have cats, too. None of them have automatic plumbing installed. But—come anyway—even if you forget to phone first.

Be seeing you at the kitten matches, I hope.

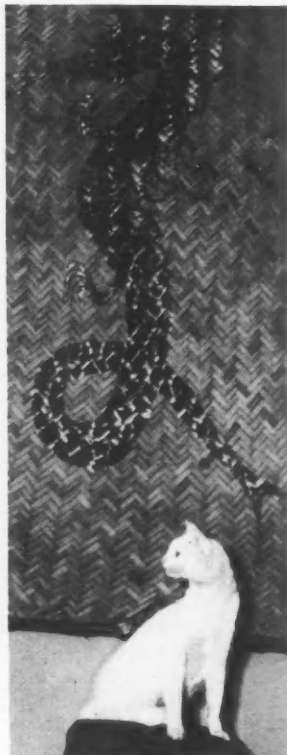
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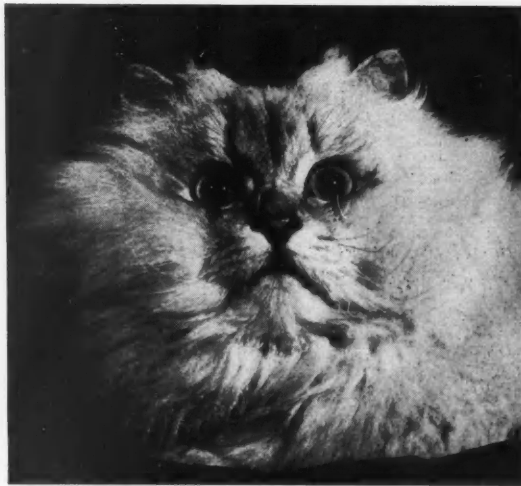
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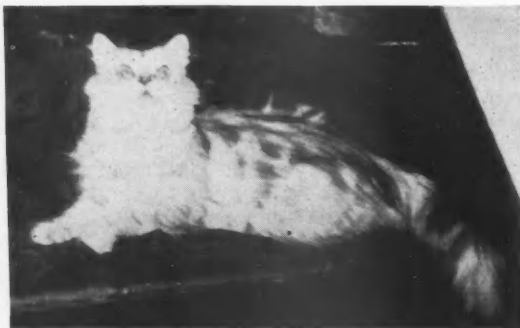
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- Orange-Eyed White Male—Tpl. Ch. Honey Boy of Rockville (AS, AHM 54), Mr. and Mrs. John Donahae; Hon. Men.—Snowball's Tom Boy, Lorraine L. Donaghey.
- Orange-Eyed White Female—Ch. Silver Rocks Bit of Honey (SHMK 55), Mr. and Mrs. John Donahae.
- Blue Male—Ch. Miss Hogan's Clancy, Mr. A. W. Carnahan; Hon. Men.—The Willows' Silver Dust, Mrs. J. Kelly Bailey.
- Blue Female—Bailey's Pertay of the Willows (AS, AA 54), Mrs. J. Kelly Bailey; Hon. Men.—Ch. Miss Hogan (AS, AA 52, 53), Mrs. Lee Carnahan.
- Black Male—Imperialistic Black Burton, Whitney Donaldson; Abt: Hon. Men.—Bluenose Chi Chi, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simms.
- Cream Male—Pinky, Bill Davenport, Collier School; Hon. Men.—Re-Ru Noel, Anthony M. Middleton.
- Smoke Male—McKinstry's Spoots (AS 54), J. J. McKinstry; Hon. Men.—Steve's Smokey, Steve Tellechea.
- Smoke Female—Mao Dusky Miss Minnie, Price Cross.
- Silver Tabby Male—Gryfin (AS 53, 54; AHM 54), Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Wellington; Hon. Men.—Duke of Cobourg, Mrs. M. Hoag.
- Silver Tabby Female—Mao Starita Texian (AS, AA 54), B. A. Lauder; Hon. Men.—HRH Mystical of Cobourg (AS 52, 54), Mrs. M. Hoag.
- Red Tabby Male—Roto Rooter, Junior and Ricky Reira; Dbl. Ch. Pentagon Rouge Rouge (AS 54), Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Bayer.
- Brown Tabby Male—Dbl. Ch. Pentagon Duke of Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Bayer.
- Brown Tabby Female—Yolanda of Charmiri (AS, AHM 54), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simms; Hon. Men.—Babrielle of Charmiri, Mr. and Mrs. Simms.
- Tortoiseshell Male—Dbl. Ch. Torti Man of Gallus (AS 54), Russell Middleton.
- Tortoiseshell Female—Mrs. Tortiman of Re-Ru, Russell Middleton; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Pentagon Chitter Chat, Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Bayer.
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Shorthair Female—Bult'h Hope (Blue Point Siamese), Mrs. C. G. Learn; Hon. Men.—Ch. Silver Rocks Bit of Honey (Orange-Eyed White DSH, AS 54), Mr. and Mrs. John Donahoe.

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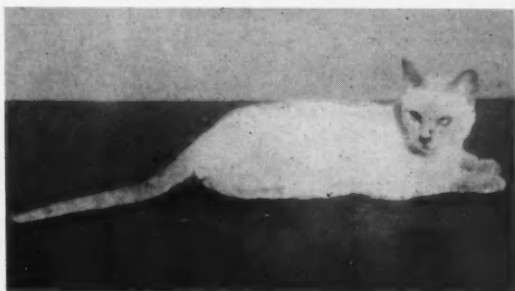
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SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Frances Herms. Best Cat, Best Ch—Rosemont Golden Boy, cr m, Mrs. Frances Kosierowski. 2nd Best Cat—Ch. Lynwood Chu Chu, blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. OS Cat, Best Gr. Ch—Hermescrest Zay of Concordia, blk f, Mrs. John Porter. Best Nov. Ch—Dixiland Rebel of Les Cygnes, BE Wh m, Mrs. Paul Swan. OS Ch—Lee's Hi-Hat Cheri of Rosemont, cr f, Mrs. Frances Kosierowski. OS Nov—Bloemhill Blue Triumph, blue m, Mrs. W. H. Harrington. Best Open—Blu Ace Gypsy Tango, blue m, Mrs. Marjorie Sharp. OS Open—Chesterfield Blaise, blue f, Mrs. Ethel Kingsland. Best Kit—Blu Ace Dream of Fame, blue m, Mrs. Wanda Scott. OS Kit—Belleaire's Black Star, blk f, Mrs. W. H. Harrington. Best Neuter—Blu Ace Nugger, blue, Terry Jackson. Best Spay—Fuddy, blk, Eva Martine.

SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Frances Herms. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best Sia—Wallman's Prince Charming, SP m, Mrs. H. J. Wallman. 2nd Best Cat, Best Aby—Ch. Chirn Sa Hai Ricki, m, Mrs. R. L. O'Donovan. OS Cat, OS Ch, OS Sia—Samdun's Jill Kitti, BP f, Mrs. Wesley Novak. Best Gr. Ch—Kramper's Ace of Marhan, BP m, Mars Hanson. Best Nov—Chirn Sa Hai Saynee, SP m, Mrs. R. L. O'Donovan. OS Nov—Medicine Lake Coco Doll, CP f, Mrs. Frank Lockrey, Sr. Best Open—Chirn Sa Hai Salong, SP m, Mrs. R. L. O'Donovan. OS Open, OS Aby—Malikah of Harmonie-Acre, f, Mrs. Waldo Schulz. Best DSH, Best SC—Ch. White Pansee of Bur Mur Farm, BE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell Finch. Best Manx—OS SC—The Churches Bo So San, OE Wh m, Mrs. Ethel Kingsland. OS Manx—Tyoh Miss Bobbitu, brn mt f, Mrs. Fred Hoyt. Best Sil, Best T&T—Ch. Mao Texian Tabitha, sil thy f, Mr. Price Cross. OS Sil, OS T&T—Stargrypt of My-Lu, sil thy m, Mrs. Frank Lockrey, Sr. OS DSH—Ch. Mouser Jr. of Bur Mur Farm, blue m, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell Finch. Best R. blue—HRH Marin Anya, f, Mrs. James E. Adams. Best Kit—Wallman's Melody, SP f, Mrs. H. J. Wallman. OS Kit—Wollgang's Nef of Harmonie-Acre, Aby m, Mr. R. G. Wolfgang. Best Spay—Sissie—SP, Sandy Shields.

THE PACIFIC CAT FANCIERS (CFF) 6th Ch. Show, Los Angeles, California, Oct. 23-24, 1954. ALL BREED—Judge, Ruth Fisher. Best Cat, Best Open, Best LH, Best Sia—Lamar's Kuan Yin, BP f, Cmdr and Mrs. Charles Jones. 2nd Best Cat, Best Ch, Best T&T, OS LH, OS LF—Lanny Lea's Favorite, bl cr Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Billig, Jr. OS Cat, OS Open, Best LH, Best Silver—Kiva Shadoo, sh sil m, Mrs. Ada May Miles. OS to 2nd Best, OS Ch, OS T&T, OS SH, Best DSH—Renee's Zaca of Kiva, sil thy m, Mrs. Ada May Miles. Best Nov—Beverly Serrano Keo, sil m, V. Osburn Peterson. OS Nov, OS Burmese—Bograe's Queen Hatsu, f, Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Forrest. Best SC—Azulita Patriot, blue m, Mrs. Walker Johnston. OS SC—Camelback's Truiv Fair, blk f, Mrs. W. G. Holsinger. OS Sil—Kerry Lu Shirleen, sil f, Elizabeth H. Thompson. OS FSH, OS Sia—Temurra's Yours Truly, BP m, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Birkett. OS DSH—Ch. Billie's Bon Boy of Old Oaks, OE Wh f, Mrs. Rupert Graham. Best Manx—Senza Coda's Storm Cloud, blue m, Mrs. Virginia Swem. OS Manx—Ch. Connie of Gallus, blk f, Mrs. Evelyn Clark. Best Aby—Ch. El Bograe's Simbu, m, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Forrest. OS Aby—Ch. El Rosario's Autumn, f, LaVona Wright. Best Burmese—Ch. Gerstdale's Mulkray I, m, Mrs. Ruth Larson. Best R. blue—Petva of Flomar of Mission City, m, Mrs. Blanche Warren. OS R. blue—Hoeller's Lt. Kijie, f, Paul Hoeller. Best Kit—Lamar's Lynda, BP f, Cmdr. and Mrs. Charles O'nes. OS Kit—Almardon Dark Star, blk m, Mrs. Alice M. Smith. Best Neuter—Azure's Blue, BP, Mrs. Wm. J. Woods. Best Spay—Flagstone Susan, sh sil, Mrs. Evelyn Morgan.

LONG HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mr. John Konkel. Best Cat, Best Open, Best Silver—La Chatta of Beverly Serrano, sil f, V. Osburn Peterson. 2nd Best Cat, OS SC—Prieta's LaPetite of Arnia, blue f, Mrs. Marie Rnia. OS Cat, Best SC, OS Open—Lichtwing Black Baron, blk m, Mrs. W. G. Holsinger. OS to 2nd Best, OS T&T—Khanate's Mira Khan, red thy m, Harv D. Stark. Best Ch—Kiva Za-Bobo, smoke m, Mrs. Ada May Miles. OS Ch—Lady Gai of Pensford, cr f, Mrs. Alberta M. Paris. Best Nov—Beverly Serrano Keo, sil m, V. Osburn Peterson. OS Nov, Best T&T—San Su of Azure, brn thy f, Mrs. Wm. J. Woods. OS Sil—Kiva Shadoo, sh sil m, Mrs. Ada May Miles. Best Kit—Almardon Dark Star, blk m, Mrs. Alice M. Smith. OS Kit—San Souci, sil f, Elizabeth H. Thompson. Best Neuter—Aristocrat's Giani, blue, Mrs. G. L. Wonder. Best Spay—Flagstone Susan, sh sil, Mrs. Evelyn Morgan.

SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Charles Williams. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best Aby—El Rosario's Autumn, f, LaVona M. Wright. 2nd Best Cat, OS Cat, Best Open, Best Sia—Kahar Alexander the Great, SP m, Ken Bartlett. OS to 2nd Best, OS Sia—Ch. Ta Lee Ho's Ena, BP f, LaVona Wright. OS Ch, Best DSH—Tommy Orange, red thy m, Dr. Fern Smith. Best Nov—Kennial's Kandy Kane, Burmese m, Mrs. Delphine Bloomquist. OS Nov—Hollywood Pomepa of Col-Sun, SP f, Albert C. Thatcher. OS Open, Best Burmese, Casa Gatos Tana, f, Mrs. Blanche Warren. OS DSH—Ch. Billie's Patina, smoke f, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Billig Jr. Best Manx—Senza Coda's Storm Cloud, blue m, Mrs. Virginia Swem. OS Manx—Ch. Mrs. Minus of Mei Li, sil thy f, Mrs. Swem. OS Aby—Zam Zam, m, Mrs. Florence Derrig. OS Burmese—Ch. Gerstdale's Mulkray II, m, Mrs. Ruth Larson. Best R. blue—Petva of Flomar of Mission City, m, Mrs. Blanche Warren. OS R. blue—Hoeller's Lt. Kijie, f, Paul Hoeller. Best Kit—Palay Khiranne, Aby f, A. L. Pneuman. OS Kit—Temurra's Star Fire, BP m, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Barnes. Best Neuter—Hollywood's Deva, BP Mr. and Mrs. John O. Rogers. Best Spay—O-So-La-Chia, SP, Clare Scott.

MLWAUKEE CAT CLUB (CFA) 14th Ch. Show, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Oct. 9-10, 1954. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. John Revington. Best Cat, Best Open, Best LH, Best SC—Dixiland Sir Gai of Normont, blue m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. OS Cat, OS Open, OS LH, OS SC—Gay, merr, Merry Dee, blk f, Helen K. Mackiewicz. Best Gr Ch—Dixiland Rebel of Les Cygnes, BE Wh m, Mrs. Paul Swan. Best Ch—Favors Maxim of Beverly Serrano, chin m, Mrs. Naomi Favors. OS Ch—Caitheens Ka, BP f, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Nov—Favors Twilight Twinkle, chin f, Mrs. Naomi Favors. OS Nov—Pats Beautiful Sno' Boy, BE Wh m, Mrs. Helen K. Mackiewicz. Best SH, Best Sia—Samdun's Jill Kitti, BP f, Mrs. Wesley Novak. OS SH, OS Sia—Ch. Dalai Jakki, SP m, Mrs. Virginia Daly. Best DSH—Ch. Duke of Cobourg, sil thy m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. OS DSH—Ch. White Pansee of Bur Mur Farm, BE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell Finch. Best Aby—Andosa Pulcherrina of Wah Ji, f, Mrs. Edna Helm. Best Burmese—Re Ru Dynamic, m, Russell Middleton. OS Burmese—Re Ru Annie Oakley, f, Russell Middleton. Best Kit—Blu Ace Dream O' Fame, blue m, Mrs. Wanda Scott. OS Kit—Arlryn Maritza, OE Wh f, Mrs. Arno Beck.

SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. L. Darrell Sample. Best Cat, Best Open—Dixiland Sir Gai of Normont, blue m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. OS Cat, OS Open—Gaymoor Merry Dee, blue f, Mrs. Helen K. Mackiewicz. Best Gr Ch—Dixiland Rebel of Les Cygnes, BE Wh m, Mrs. Paul Swan. Best Ch—Silver Moth Macbeth of Blu Ace, blue m, Mrs. Wanda Scott. OS Ch—Nigrette Azurea of Normont, blue f, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Nov—Gaymoor Sassy Girl of Thalia, blk f, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Krogh. OS Nov—Gaymoor Storm Cloud of Pantisia, blk m, Miss Meredith Schrumm. Best Kit—Blu Ace Dream O' Fame, blue m, Mrs. Wanda Scott. OS Kit—Bloemhill Vesper, blue f, Mrs. John Bloem. **SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Sample. Best Cat, Best Open, Best Sia—Wah Lee Satina, SP f, Miss B. Gendel. OS Cat, OS Open, Best Burmese—Re Ru Dynamic, m, Russell Middleton. Best Ch—Dalai Jakki, SP m, Mrs. Virginia Daly. OS Ch—Caitheens Ka, BP f, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Nov—Briargate Little Elizabeth, BP f, Mrs. H. J. Wallman. OS Nov—Ta Lee Ho's Mi-Ke-Fu, SP m, Mrs. D. R. Ahola. Best DSH—Ch. White Pansee of Bur Mur Farm, BE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell Finch. OS DSH—Ch. Duke of Cobourg, sil thy m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Aby—Andosa Pulcherrina of Wah Ji, f, Mrs. Edna Helm. OS Burmese—Re Ru Annie Oakley, f, Russell Middleton. Best Kit—Normont Silver Shine, sil thy m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. OS Kit—Medicine Lake Coco Doll, CP f, Mrs. Adolph Olson. Best Neuter—Timothy, OE Wh, Miss Diane Johnson.**

MID-WEST FELINE FANCIERS (CFF) 4th Ch. Show, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Nov. 13-14, 1954. ALL BREED—Judge, Miss Doris Hobbs. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best LH, Best Sil—Kerry Lu Ramon of Casa Contenta, sil m, Mrs. Helen Van Zee. 2nd Best Cat, Best SC—Ch. Khyber's Kalypso Joe, blue m, Mrs. Archie Stray. OS Cat—Siesta Carmalita, bl cr, Mrs. T. C. Trent. OS to 2nd Best, OS Ch—Van Dyke's Miss Bob White, BE Wh f, Mrs. Lila Rippey. OS Nov—Four Star Jenny, cr f, Richard Heindol. Best SH, Best Sia—Wah Lee Satina, SP f, Miss B. Gendel. Best Manx—Ch. Tappes oo of Glen Orry, blk m, Misses Ruth and Ellen Carlson. Best Aby—Andosa Pulcherrina of Wah Ji, f, Mrs. Frank W. Helm. Best Kit—Gaymoor's Bambi of Pom Purr, blue m, Mrs. Donald E. McFaden. OS Kit—Arlryn Maritza, OE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. Arno Beck. Best Neuter—Danny Boy, red, Mrs. Armin Schneider. Best Spay—Ch. Stray's Viking Gibson Girl, red thy, Mrs. Archie Stray.

LONG HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. J. J. Small. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best Sil—Kerry Lu Ramon of Casa Contenta, sil m, Mrs. Helen Van Zee. 2nd Best Cat, Best SC—Ch. Siesta Barney Google, Peke red m, Mrs. T. C. Trent. OS Cat, OS SC—Gaymoor Sassy Girl of Thalia, blk f, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Krogh. OS to 2nd Best, Best Nov—Fernwood's Ballerina, blue f, Mrs. O. Simble. OS Ch—Van Dyke's Miss Bob White, BE Wh f, Mrs. Lila Rippey. Best Kit—Gaymoor's Kathe, blue f, Miss Marie Stodden. OS Kit—Bayer's Cavalier, sil m, Mrs. John Bayer. Best Neuter—Danny Boy, red, Mrs. Armin Schneider. Best Spay—Ch. Stray's Viking Gibson Girl, red thy, Mrs. Archie Stray. **SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. J. J. Small. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best LH, Best Sil—Kerry Lu Ramon of Casa Contenta, sil m, Mrs. Helen Van Zee. 2nd Best Cat, Best SC—Ch. Siesta Barney Google, Peke red m, Mrs. T. C. Trent. OS Cat, OS SC—Gaymoor Sassy Girl of Thalia, blk f, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Krogh. OS to 2nd Best, OS Ch—Van Dyke's Miss Bob White, BE Wh f, Mrs. Lila Rippey. Best Kit—Gaymoor's Kathe, blue f, Miss Marie Stodden. OS Kit—Bayer's Cavalier, sil m, Mrs. John Bayer. Best Neuter—Danny Boy, red, Mrs. Armin Schneider. Best Spay—Ch. Stray's Viking Gibson Girl, red thy, Mrs. Archie Stray.**

DETROIT PERSIAN SOCIETY (CFA) 33rd Ch. Show, Detroit, Michigan, Feb. 26-27, 1955. ALL REED—Judge, Mrs. John Revington. Best Cat, Best Gr. Ch, Best LH—Best SC—Rosemont Golden Boy, cr m, Mrs. Frances Kosierowski. OS Cat, OS Ch, OS LH, OS SC—Lonhill's White Madonna, OE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ripley. Best Ch—Wellife Chelsea of Normont, blue m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Nov—Normont Lauri, bl cr, Mrs. Merald Hoag. OS Nov—Shawnee Starliner, sil thy DSH m, Nikki Horner. Best FSH, Best Sia—Ch. Shawnee Feather, BP f, Nikki Horner. OS FSH, OS Sia—Ch. Dalai Jakki, SP m, Virginia Daly. Best DSH—Gr. Ch. Normont's Angelique, BE Wh f, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Manx—Ch. Mrs. Kelly of An-Si, blk f, Mrs. Ann Bieneman. Best Aby—Su-Ryan Sadia of Dalai, f, Virginia Daly. OS Aby—Amara Ra's Atum, f, Lilian Magna. Best Burmese—Ch. Su-Ryan Ma Hone Lin of Dalai, f, Virginia Daly. OS Burmese—Kalan Prince Koro, m, Mrs. Eleanor Hamling. Best Kit—Saruk Lady Evelyn Maria, blue f, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Peterson, Jr. OS Kit—Astra Mai-Sud of Nindara, SP m, Charles and June Sullivan. Best Neuter—Tralee's Blue Teddie, blue, Alice McConnell.

SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY—Judge, Miss Kay Thoma. Best Cat, Best Gr. Ch, Best LH—Rosemont Golden Boy, cr m, Mrs. Frances Kosierowski. 2nd Best Cat, Best Ch—Nigrette's Equinoise, blue m, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Peterson, Jr. OS Cat, OS Ch, OS LH—Lonhill's White Madonna, OE Wh f, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ripley. Best Nov—Dawn's Frostie of Kaban, blk f, Helen K. Mackiewicz. OS Nov—Dawn's Sovereign D'O'cr, f, E. Roberts and M. Quick. Best Open—Plana Perfect Bear, blue f, M. Quick and E. Roberts. OS Open—Nigrette's Joi Boy of Hobby Hill, blue m, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ripley. Best SH, Best Manx—Ch. Mrs. Kelly of An-Si, blk f, Mrs. Ann Bieneman. OS SH, OS DSH—Frosty, blue m, Mrs. Joseph J. Harcourt. Best DSH—Gr. Ch. Normont's Angelique, BE Wh f, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Kit—Saruk Lady Evelyn Maria, blue f, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Peterson, Jr. OS Kit—Normont's Angelique, blue m, Mrs. Merald Hoag. Best Neuter—Ch. Sporo's Basin Street Class, blk, Dr. J. S. Caldwell. Best Spay—Dixiland Sara of Saruk, blue, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Peterson, Jr.

Fanciers Forum

MRS. PEDULLA ON JUDGING III

Another duty the judge has is keeping her "book" in order, she must watch all thru the judging that she will HAVE a cat eligible for each win, for instance, if a Novice is going to be Best Novice or Best Opp. Sex Novice, it cannot be beaten by ANY other cat on that particular win. It does NOT have to have a winner nor BOC, but must NOT go down to another Novice for BOC of the same color, although another Novice CAN have a winner and NOT be as good as the one chosen FOR Best Novice. IF the cat is Champion S.H. it MUST go Best or Best Opp. Ch. in competition with ALL other Champions, along with getting Best or Best Ch.—Best or Best Opp. SHORT Hair, it accidentally the judge forgets that the S.H. Champions ARE in competition with the L.H. Champions—the S.H. then is OUT of the running for Best or Best Opp. Cat in Show.

No, the job of judging is not an enviable one, it is very hard work with risks of losing friends if she refuses to "hand" wins, also loss of reputation as both a judge AND breeder. If the judge cannot choose close to the actual "Best" for winners, then she obviously does NOT know a good cat, and if she cannot recognize a good cat, she cannot breed one.

There is also another factor, the standards can be interpreted in a number of ways, and unless the judge gets each breeder of each breed to thoroughly explain as well as show her the desirable traits of that particular breed—AND have a thorough knowledge of WHAT those fanciers are breeding FOR, she cannot do as good a job. There are also breeders of many years standing who STILL cannot interpret the standard of their own choice of breed, they cannot see the difference between an extra type animal, and one that is just average. The difference can be very plain even to breeders of entirely different breeds, but not to the breeder who cannot interpret her particular standard. She cannot understand why year after year her cats do NOT get wins, because she does NOT know WHAT the breeders are breeding FOR. She cannot see, although she can be shown again and again, the difference. Judges are NOT made, they are born. That there ARE few born judges is all the more reason why the others must not be heckled and discouraged. They DO deserve even more credit for at least making an attempt!

I know at least 30 Siamese breeders well qualified to become judges who will not even think about it. I have also seen a Siamese breeder judge—one who actually breeds only ONE color of Siamese who—in judging a Long Hair show—did a better job than a real L.H. breeder AND a better job on ALL S.H. divisions than many judges who have owned those breeds! SHE is a "Natural" born judge! Not my own opinion only—I circulated among the breeders whose cats were being judged and listened to comments.

The blame in the long run reverts to the breeders themselves. IF they would put up more time and cash, IF they would take on the responsibility of judging themselves, they would not have so much to complain about! All I can say is, if they do not like the way the shows are judged, get in there and try it yourself! BUT no matter what, give those who actually ARE trying, full credit for having the nerve to at least do a job that very few will attempt!

With all I have written there is still much more that I should put in. It would take a book to explain all the things that would make a good judge, and there is no one who can be infallible in their decisions. It is not enough to own one of each breed, nor even to breed one litter, even a show type litter. The experience will be with the breeder from whom the cat was bought, without her patient breeding for type, where she has earned the pitfalls, she cannot appreciate the true value of the animal.

Out of curiosity alone, I do value discussions of other breeds their difficulties in getting their choice of breed close to their standard, and I guess I make a nuisance of myself at times. I know what trouble I have had myself, and like to compare "troubles". I hope I have not insulted the Novice breeders, but I sincerely DO hope I have lured loose some of the "seasoned" breeders into getting on the judges lists! Same thing applies in judges, the larger the choice—the better the judging will be!

Schools for judges may help, BUT they are NOT the answer. In EVERY business that has a school to teach that business, there are always a few who really are tops, have no trouble at all—others who work way harder and come out—thinking they know their busi-

ness but never actually making any outstanding success of it. That is NOT just chance either. Some are better naturally than the others, in other words, they are "natural born" workers of their particular professions. Those who are not "naturals" work twice as hard with perhaps half the results!

It is hard enough to be a judge, but the very hardest decision must still be made—IF the judge is popular. The choice will have to be—between the cats AND the judging. Many times that judge has spent most of her life and money on animals, because most breeders cannot resist an animal, particularly if it is a good one. It does not even have to be a cat, I myself have gone quite crazy over an English Bull dog, simply had to have him, the fact that he was the Best Bull Dog an outstanding Bulldog breeder had ever bred, which I did not know—he had already won Best Bull dog in the Northeast—HE was the one I had to have—out of all the others. A short time back it was a lovely little pure white Manx, I also wanted THAT, although I am not a Manx breeder, and even though two judges put a much larger Blue Manx over the white. I wanted THAT one, but, the breeder would not part with him. It is the same with all Cat fanciers, and that last decision IS by far the hardest they will ever have to make.

All in all it looks to me as if judging has enough against it, without breeders howling all over the place, the judges may not be perfect, but they certainly ARE trying, and that is more than most breeders will do.

I have answered as well as I can at this point, I am not taking the novice breeders to task, every one I have ever known, has asked the same questions as Mrs. Havill, those questions should be answered. This is my version, and it is very incomplete.

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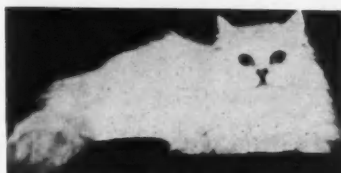
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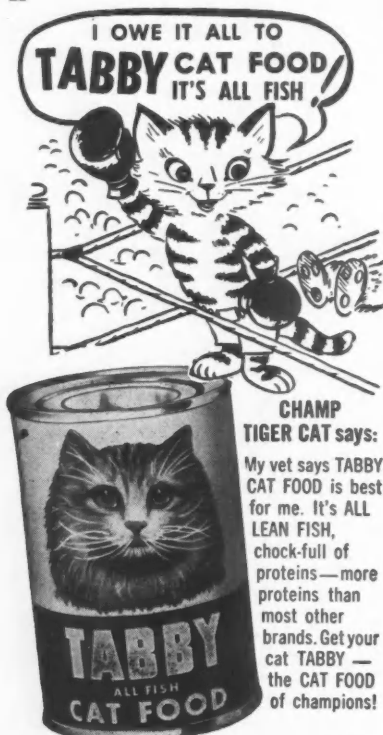
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VITAMINS

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VITAMIN D

This substance is well known as the "sunshine" vitamin and if not present in sufficient amounts rickets can develop. A pregnant female must be fortified with Vitamin D, for it will prevent rickets in the kittens and as they begin to eat for themselves, its addition to their diet will strengthen their developing bones and

teeth as it has a way of working together with calcium as a booster.

Fish that have a great amount of oil such as sardines, salmon, or halibut are good sources of "D" and can readily be mixed with any meat to provide an appetizing dish.

Vitamin "D" must be carefully used and it is best obtained from a natural source. If given in too large a dosage it becomes toxic. When using it as a cure for rickets the dosage should be veterinarian prescribed, and if handled in this proper manner its use will be very beneficial.

VITAMIN E

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With all this talk of vitamins you can see that it is of benefit to both yourself and your cats to see that their diet is a nutritious one. Where you cannot provide the natural food make sure that you use a supplement and the result will be cats that are healthy, full of vim and vigor, and with coats that are sleek and beautiful.

The next time we get together on these pages we want to talk about minerals. With that discussion and with your background in vitamins you should really be on the way to having cats that will be healthy enough to make anyone proud to own them. How is it the old story goes?—Whatever one puts into a thing, that's what he's going to get out of it. I guess that it's about the same way with our little friends. Give them your best and they'll return it with interest. Good luck to you and yours.

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lar feeding. I started this pattern when she was seriously ill and had to be handled delicately as an invalid. Now she sits in front of her plate of food, looking into space—waiting. Waiting to be handled or she doesn't eat! If this isn't a reminder of the child who has to be spoon-fed, then I don't know my child psychology. But then what else can you expect from a cat whose owner prefers caviar on black bread with tea for breakfast?

It is not impossible that I transmitted some of my anxiety during these two years to Min Chu, since she is so sensitive and impressionable. Added to her other ailments, she had five teeth extracted; then the hysterectomy, not just an ordinary spaying job; then the intermittent recurrence of her skin infection which cortisone ointment has finally cleared up. And Min Chu is so conditioned to receiving treatment of one kind or another, that she senses uncannily when the top of a bottle is being unscrewed—even if it's the one containing her vitamins. (She knows the difference between my vitamin bottle and hers.) Just reaching on her shelf—whether for the Petromalt (which most cats love but has to be given her by force), the Milk of Magnesia, or even her claw clippers, is enough to send her scurrying into her box or under the bed. The latter is her place of refuge when it thunders—but then she's not the only one who's afraid of thunder and lightning!! (In childhood, I usually hid in some dark corner when it thundered.)

Min Chu has as many moods as a prima donna. She's whimsical, contradictory, unpredictable, perverse. But she's also endearing and dependent. Perhaps I've made her so because of my own inner need (to be needed), but she nevertheless rules me with a silken paw.

Let me spread my papers out on the desk with a view to working and Min Chu is on top of them, defiant as a rebel. She almost seems to say: "Never mind work—petting me is more important." And often I postpone my work.

You should have seen her pawing the TV screen when Walt Disney's birds were chirping and twittering! She examined the sides then the back of the set, then watched the screen with a quivering chin.

Lucky for Min Chu, I'm a night-owl, too. Together we play while the rest of the world is asleep. I throw the cellophane balls while she retrieves them, letting out a yowl that would wake the dead when the bit is in her teeth. It is almost dawn when we retire, and she holds me down in bed with her paws on my hand so I can't get away. (As if I ever would!) Nary a peep out of her until I stir—and then she's up with me, following me around. It's sometimes hard to tell who's the Master and who the slave, but I'll accept the latter appellation with the simple words: "I am owned by a Siamese cat."

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C.F.F.'s list of approved shows to date includes a change of the Springfield Cat Fanciers show to November 17-18. Other dates announced are: Pacific Cat Fanciers, October 1-2; Connecticut Cat Fanciers, October 15-16; Penn State Cat Club, October 26-27; Midwest Feline Fanciers, November 5-6; Lake Erie Cat Club, November 7-8; Long Island Cat Breeders, November 11-12; Jewel City Cat Club, November 12-13.

Siamese Cat Society—New Officers, Standard Changes

An election of officers was held by mail for the Siamese Cat Society of America, Inc. The following have been elected to hold office for two years: Mr. Howard Casassa, President; Mrs. Grace Forrest, Vice President; Mrs. William R. Deeths, Secretary-Treasurer.

Some changes were made for the standard for Chocolate and Frost Point, and the name "Frost" has been changed to **Lilac Point**. Copies of the new standards will be available from the Secretary-Treasurer at no cost, but as it will take a bit of time to transfer the files from one Secretary to the other, we beg your indulgence if there is a delay in handling your request.

All inquiries will be answered, but it does take some time to move such a lot of material from one end of the country to the other.

Siamese Cat Breeders Guild Meets, Elects

At the Annual meeting of the SCBG held at the home of Dr. Nancy W. Riser, Upper Darby, Pa., April 6, Dr. Riser was elected President, Mrs. Florence Leopold, Honorary President, Mrs. Betty Jeanne Smith, Vice President, and Mrs. Genevieve M. Gibson, Secretary-Treasurer.

Recommendations made by the Guild which were accepted by CFF are that (1) Show Managers enforce the rule that no bona-fide breeder is to show a household pet; (2) that the term "Frost Point" be changed to **Lilac Point**; (3) that the Lilac standard be changed to read **glacial white** instead of "creamy white".

An Annual Trophy List was announced—awards to be open to Guild members only and award each year for aggregate wins in CFF shows. Mrs. Rex Naugle, 919 Green Lane, Promos, Pa. is Trophy Chairman.

New Cascade Club One-Day Show, Sept. 3.

The Cascade Shorthair Cat Fanciers, an A.C.F.A. affiliate, will be holding a one day Table Show on September 3, 1955 at Redmond, Washington. Judge is La Vona Wright, and Show Secretary Mrs. Sherman Arps.

New Show Site for Eastern Cat Fanciers ACA.

Eastern's one-day show this year will be held at the National Guard Armory, Eighth and Sprout Streets, in Chester, Pa., on Saturday, September 24th. Only four miles from last year's site, the new hall will provide more spacious accommodations. It is easily reached by train or bus and has more adequate parking and restaurant facilities.

New Officials for Delaware Cat Fanciers, CFA.

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Sacramento Valley Cat Fanciers Join UCF, Name Show Dates.

The Sacramento Valley Cat Fanciers have announced their affiliation with the United Cat Fanciers. Tentative show dates are January 14-15 at Governor's Hall, Sacramento, with judges to be announced later.

Southern California Short Hair Breeders

August 13 marks the date for the SoCal SH one-day show, at Huntington Park. The All Breed Shorthair judge will be Roberta Knight, and Dorothy Richard will judge the Foreign Shorthair Specialty, both under ACA rules.

Garden State Kitten Match

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With the purpose of improving their service to exhibitors, the Connecticut Fanciers are holding classes in clerking and stewardship under the direction of Doris Hobbs for their members who will fill these positions in the show at the Hotel Garde, New Haven, on October 15-16. An innovation for the club, this should contribute a great deal to smooth operation at show time. Judges for the show are Miss Hobbs, All Breed; Mrs. Joseph Richmond, Solid Color and T&T Specialties; and Mrs. Christine Hartmann, FSH Specialty.

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All-Sectional Advertising Corrections

We're very sorry for a number of errors which have crept into our All-Sectional advertising this year. In the May All-Eastern issue the name of John Machoka, Jr.'s A-E Blue Male should have been shown as Ch. Ru-Ling Rollo (page 18). On page 20, Dr. Nancy Riser's cattery name should have been 'Vikiri' and her address 46 Kent Road, Upper Darby.

On page 22 of the May A-W issue the names of the owners of Tortieland Cattery are incorrectly shown. They are properly, Holly and John Chapin. In the July A-M issue, the name of Mrs. Winifred Smith's cattery (page 17) should be Wyn's Winners.

BILLIE BANCROFT

Just as we were going to press word came of the death on July 4th of our Contributing Editor and leader in the Fancy Mrs. Harold (Billie) Bancroft. More information about this friend whose loss will be felt by all of us will appear next month.

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Sylvester is one orphan who never lacks for affection. Syl, weighing in at two pounds, nine ounces on the scales in the Civil Engineering Department, has been adopted as the CE mascot at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque. This means he has ninety-four foster fathers to cuddle him when he's feeling blue, if indeed he ever is, since that one day, "that beautiful morning in May" when he was young and wandered into the CE Building. Further, 'tis said William C. Wagner, department head, listed Sylvester's box, bed, three cans of milk, two cans of cat food, and, lastly, Sylvester himself among the official assets of the University student branch for the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Very sorry to hear of the passing of Elmer, a grey and white who for twenty-six recorded years lived at the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity Montana State College. Elmer passed away quietly in his sleep this June. He was given a funeral with four pallbearers and a plain white cross over his grave marks a spot near his favorite tree where he liked to sleep.

Back to the East Coast, an encouraging news item comes from Mrs. Katherine Richardson, administrator for the Speyer Hospital for Animals, 350 Lafayette St., New York. Mrs. Richardson reports, "Everyone who comes in these days wants a cat, and if you try to sell them a dog, it's got to be Rin Tin Tin, or nothing." She attributes the rise in cats' popularity to "rigid housing rules, small apartments and working couples (dogs require more care than cats)."

On occasions when cats do require extraordinary care, however, cat owners have been known to make up for the slightly easier time they have of it, on the average, than do dog owners. (Mrs. John T. Gernon, 111 Burnham Pl., Evanston, Ill., must see that Nicky, her 15-year old, receives from seven to nine units of protamine zinc (insulin) every day. Nicky developed diabetes three years ago. Mrs. Gernon also must watch for insulin shock. On two occasions, Nicky relapsed into shock, but immediately recovered when fed glucose, which he lapped up readily. "We thought the sting of the hypo-needle might bother Nicky but he seems to sense that the medicine helps him and doesn't even flinch," Mrs. Gernon says.

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From Columbia, Mo., comes word of another unusual operation, this one, however, performed several years ago. Although he is now twenty-two years old, there was a time when Floppit, part DSH belonging to Mrs. Lloyd Q. Thomas, 114 Anderson Ave., was not expected to attain such longevity. This was when he was a mere six-year old. He had been ailing for some-time but his family was unaware that an abscess was forming at the base of his tail. Increasing in size, it finally eroded through the tissue and on a day when the family was leaving for a special social function, his tail dropped off. Floppit who appeared to be dying, was rushed to a veterinarian who treated the area, prepared it for surgery and sutured the tail back in place. Two weeks later, Floppit, complete with tail, was back home ready to resume normal healthy life. Today, he weights ten pounds, has an alert look, and though his eyes have somewhat the watery cast of old age, his vision remains good; his hearing is unimpaired, although he has been treated for temporary deafness; his teeth are going, but not gone. In short, for a fellow of 154 (human calendar) he's in excellent shape.

One last medical item reports Dr. John Cole, an Oxford University researcher in Physiology, after intensive tests discovered cats were predominately left-handed. Of sixty cats used, twenty-three were left-pawed, twelve right-pawed and the remaining twenty-five were ambidextrous. The experiment tended to show "handedness" in men and animals is not a result of feeding habits (ordinarily cats do not use their paws to get food into their mouths, as they did in these tests). Dr. Cole suggests the difference is due to the nerve fibers on one side of the brain being larger than on the other. Cats and parrots were among the two animals predominately left-handed.

This hot, hot mid-summer makes ending on anything other than a light note impossible. Did you hear the one which, though not mentioned as one of the city's attractions in the song, came out of "Memphis in June"? A little boy answered an ad a woman placed in the Memphis Press-Scimitar regarding kittens to be given away. As he had picked out the kitten he wanted and was holding it in his arms preparing to depart, the woman had that moment of doubt known to all of us. "I don't know if that one is big enough to eat yet, or not," she said. A look of extreme alarm came over the little boy's face. "Heaven's, Lady," was the reply, "I love him! I don't want to eat him."

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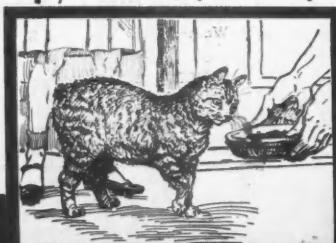
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